

City of Chiloquin
City Council Meeting
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Those Present:

Others:

Mayor: Mark Cobb
Council members: Floyd Hescock
Kay Graham
Jill Prewitt
Jeff Mitchell: absent
Raymond Kirk

Teresa Foreman: Recorder
Attorney: Sam Ramirez
Engineer: Doug Adkins

Mayor Mark Cobb read the opening statement.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

The Mayor called the roll. Present: Kay Graham, Raymond Kirk, Jill Prewitt and Floyd Hescock.

Also City Recorder Teresa Foreman and City worker Mike Jenkins.

Motion to accept the agenda as presented was made by council member Graham seconded by council member Hescock Ayes: Hescock, Prewitt Kirk and Graham.

Motion passed.

Public Input:

Fred Liljenberg: Mr. Liljenberg is concerned about the trash around the town and the possible fire hazards of property that has large amounts of combustible material around, such as pine needles. He is also concerned about burned out homes. He feels the City needs to be cleaned up.

He would like to see the City ordinance enforced. The City needs to use it's authority to issue clean up orders. Or the City needs to clean up and then bill the owner.

The Mayor explained that the City just put into place an ability to site people into court that violate City ordinances. He stated that the burned out buildings were being dealt with. Some of those belong to the County. The Mayor also explained that the city does not have the financial resources to clean up these building. The expense of such a project is up front.

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The Mayor explained, also, that the City sends out reminders to cut tall grass and weeds.

The Mayor suggested to Mr. Liljenberg that the complaint be put into writing as a formal complaint. Take some pictures and submit that to City Hall. Mr. Liljenberg stated that he did not want to do that.

Emily Jackson expressed her concern about fire season. During the fire season, it is her understanding that you can't use weed eaters around dry grass. It is an ODF ordinance. They cover all federal and private land.

The Mayor stated that on private land, we can use weed eaters, just don't start any fires.

Emily is also concerned about garbage around town. Doesn't the county have a community service work force that can clean up the personal garbage?

The Mayor explained that if the City started doing that, we would have to clean up everybody's trash. Again, the City just got hooked up with the court system so the City will be going after some of those issues.

Earl Root : Mr. Root is concerned about being charged commercial rates for water because he has a home business. He was not told that by having a home business he would have higher water rates.

Discussion.

The Mayor suggested that, for now, Mr. Root pay the base rate and the City attorney will look over the City policy to decide about the charges when it comes to home businesses.

Regular business:

The Mayor stated that council member Prewitt look over the amendments.

Discussion.

Prewitt does not feel the verbatim minutes presented accurately portray the meeting. The Mayor and council member Graham explained that the verbatim minutes are only what was actually on the tape.

Discussion.

The Mayor suggested that council member Prewitt take the written copy of the minutes as presented as verbatim home and listen to her copy of the tape and bring back any discrepancies to the next meeting.

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Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of 05/25/2010 was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Hescock. Ayes: Prewitt, Hescock, Kirk and Graham.

Motion Passed.

Motion to accept of the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of 05/25/2010 was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Hescock. Ayes: Prewitt, Graham, Hescock and Kirk.

Motion Passed.

City Bills: Council looked over the bills.

Prewitt stated that she has a problem with the bill from Bullet. She is asking why the City doesn't have to have purchase orders for such a thing. She had called the company to find out what it was and how much it cost. She was told that it was for a crawler to clean the sewer ponds. Prewitt states it wasn't used to clean the ponds. Also Melody, at Bullet told her it would be \$408.00. Prewitt was told Hescock authorized it. She feels that when you add the insurance and everything it adds up to over \$500.00. She wants there to be purchase orders from now on. She asked Hescock what he thought. He said he didn't care about the purchase orders but that she was wrong about the cost. The bill is in the bills tonight for \$328.00.

Discussion. The Mayor asked Hescock to explain what they rented the crawler for. Hescock explained that it was to push the burn piles up over at the sewer plant, near the railroad. It needed to be flattened out where we are going to be placing the new drying beds. There was brush piles and cement blocks that needed to be moved. Hescock explained that because the equipment was already here, the City saved the cost of the delivery from Klamath Falls to here. That is why he went ahead and got the equipment when he did. Prewitt stated that she would like to see purchase orders from now on.

The Mayor stated that we would put purchase orders on the next agenda.

Prewitt asked about the City power bills. She asked where they all came from. Council and Mayor pointed out the buildings and the street lights that the City pays for.

Prewitt asked about the duplex. What is it used for? It was explained that the public works use it for an office area and ½ is rented out to a school teacher. As long as she is there we have to do that. (That was agreed to when the county schools gave it to the City)

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Motion to pay the City bills as of June 14, 2010, in the amount of \$7,989.09 was made by council Member Hescock, seconded by council member Graham.

Discussion: Prewitt stated she was not done looking at them.

Prewitt questioned the cell phone bill. She asked how many phones we had. We have 4 plus the internet access which is like a fifth phone.

Call for the vote:

Ayes: Prewitt, Graham, Hescock and Kirk

Motion passed.

City Correspondence: Council looked over the correspondence.

None to take action on.

Mayor's Report:

DEQ sent the City a violation letter to the City for burning over at the sewer plant. Apparently the City needs to get a permit, presumably yearly, to do any burning. Because we are moving brush from other places in the City to one place, it requires a permit.

Credit cards: The Mayor called Pacific Pride and they stated the City had seven cards.

Discussion

He will get with Teresa to see who has which ones. The recorder stated that she was getting receipts now.

Altree: They are not coming to Chiloquin now. They got an offer from JWTR, a Dick Wendt holding company. They are putting all their efforts into building their first facility at the reach mill at Klamath Falls.

Discussion.

The Mayor would like a set of Keys.

Motion for the Mayor to have keys to the public works, the sewer plant, the office, everything, in case of an emergency because the Mayor is the CEO of the City, also she would like the Mayor to have the password to the computer to the City was made by council member Prewitt.

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The mayor asked for a second. Council member Kirk asked what that was for? The Mayor answered that it was for the Mayor to have keys to the City.

The Mayor asked if there was no second on the table? Council member Kirk stated he was trying to figure out what the motion was.

The Mayor stated that this was a motion that was done when he first became Mayor and five years later he still does not have a set of keys. Another motion has been put on the table to just redo that first motion.

Seconded by council member Kirk.

Ayes: Prewitt and Kirk. Nays: Hescock and Graham.

The Mayor breaks the tie and he voted yes.

Motion passed.

Motion to accept the Mayors report was made by council member Prewitt , seconded by council member Kirk. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Prewitt and Hescock.

Motion passed.

City Engineer: Received a notice from ODOT asking for an asbestos sign warning on the bridge. The water lines are wrapped in asbestos. There are temporary signs there now but we need to order permanent signs.

Spoke with Christina Ingram from SCOEDD. We are still in our second public notification of the treatment plant modification project which is required for our funding. The publications run through June 17th. Hopefully after that we can put in for the funding to come through.

Motion to accept the Engineer report was made by council member Graham , seconded by council member Hescock. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Prewitt and Hescock.

Motion passed.

City Attorney: Annexation: We passed an Ordinance already and the Dept. of revenue sent the application back with some instructions. He has received the map from the engineer. We may have to pass another Ordinance because the description may be different. He doesn't feel there is much more to do.

With respect to City litigation he wants to go into executive session.

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7:12 Council went into executive session per ORS 192.660(1)(h)

7:52 Council is back in regular session.

No decisions were made in exec. session.

Motion to accept the attorney report and was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Prewitt. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Prewitt and Hescock.

Motion passed.

Public works report: The part time summer employee. There has been discussion to have someone to help mow grass and to move pipe and misc. It is in the proposed budget.

Discussion.

Motion to pursue a 12 week summer employment position if we are unable to get correctional workers was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Kirk. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Prewitt and Hescock.

Motion passed.

Hescock reported that they spoke with ODOT at the bridge today. When the bridge is being repaired/replaced they will have to divert the way the waterline goes across the river. Hescock feels they have pretty much decided how that will work.

Motion to accept the Public works report and City Correspondence was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Kirk. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Prewitt and Hescock.

Motion passed.

City Recorder report: The recorder is asking council if they will have the regular scheduled meeting, which will be next week or will they postpone it for a week?

Discussion.

Council decided it would be best to leave it at next week because that will also be our Budget hearing.

The recorder asked council about buying an external hard drive and a new monitor for the office. The new taping equipment that we had to purchase has a little different set up and an external hard drive to back up to would be good.

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Also, the monitor that Paulette is using is aprox. 8 years old. We can get a nice used flat screen graphic monitor for \$100.00.

Motion to purchase the external hard drive and the monitor was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Hescoock. Ayes: Graham, Hescoock, Prewitt and Kirk.

Motion passed.

Motion to accept the City Recorders report was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Kirk. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Prewitt and Hescoock.

Motion passed.

Old Business: none

New business: none

Motion to adjourn was made by council member Hescoock, seconded by council member Kirk. Ayes: Kirk, Hescoock, Prewitt and Graham.

8:10 Meeting adjourned

Signed 6/22/2010

Mayor Mark Cobb

Attest: Teresa Foreman, City Recorder

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